



# Florida Division of Emergency Management Daily Status Briefing For the Day of June 12, 2006



Reporting period: 1000 hrs 6/11/06 through 1000 hrs 6/12/06

## I. Weather

### A. State Forecast for Florida

#### Watches and Warnings

The National Weather Service has issued a **Tropical Storm Warning** for the west coast of Florida from Englewood to Indian Pass. Also, an **Inland Tropical Storm Warning** is in effect until 2 pm EDT, Tuesday for the coastal counties of the Florida Big Bend... A Flood Watch is in effect for the Florida Big Bend.

#### Weather Forecast for Florida – National Weather Service Office Tallahassee

**Monday** - Partly cloudy in the western Panhandle with isolated showers and thunderstorms while cloudy elsewhere with rain and thunderstorms. Locally heavy rainfall possible while becoming breezy north and central. Highs in the 80s except lower 90s in the Panhandle.

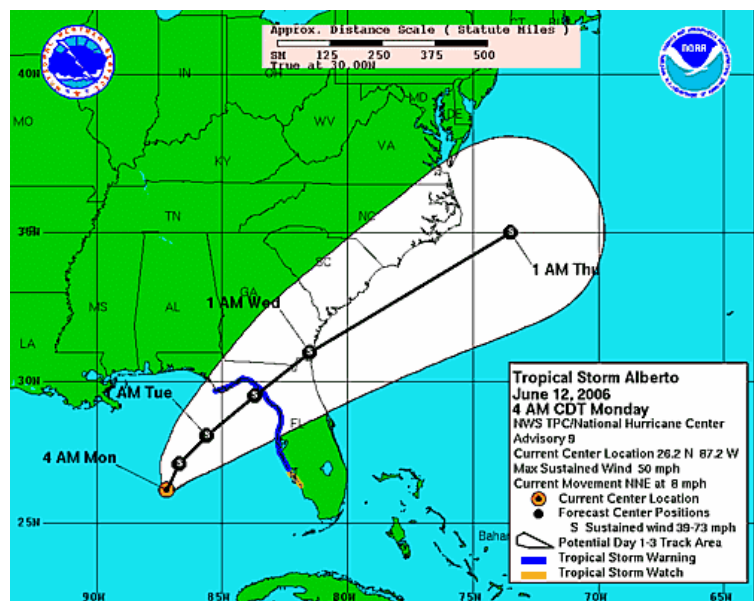
**Monday Night** - Partly cloudy in the Panhandle with isolated showers or thunderstorms while cloudy elsewhere with scattered to numerous showers and thunderstorms. Locally heavy rainfall possible and becoming windy in the north and central portions of the State. Lows in the 70s except near 80 keys.

### B. Hazardous Weather Outlook

Florida – Nothing new reported.  
**Tropical Outlook – National Hurricane Center**

**At 530 a.m. EDT Monday June 12, 2006 For The North Atlantic, Caribbean Sea and the Gulf of Mexico...**

The National Hurricane Center is issuing advisories on Tropical Storm Alberto, located about 275 miles south-southwest of Apalachicola, Florida. **Elsewhere, tropical storm formation is not expected through Tuesday.**

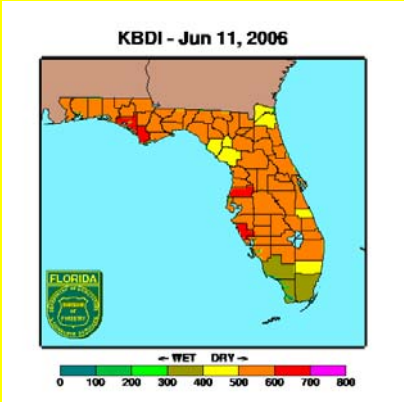
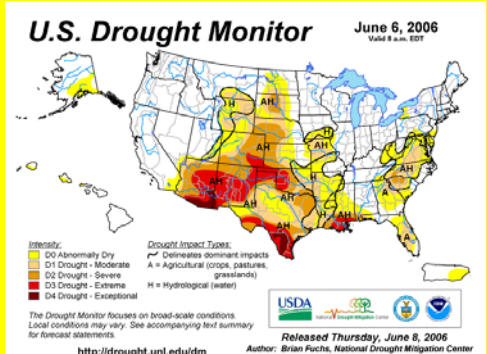


## C. Special Weather Report

As of 5 AM EDT Monday, the center of **Tropical Storm Alberto** was located near latitude 26.2 North and 87.2 West longitude, which is about 275 miles to the south-southwest of Apalachicola. Maximum sustained winds have increased to 50 mph, and Tropical Storm Alberto is now moving towards the north-northeast near 8 mph. Tropical storm force winds now extend outwards to 230 miles from the center of Alberto, and these winds may move onshore as early as Monday evening along the big bend and Nature coasts.

## II. Wildland Fire

### A. Fire Weather/Drought Indicators

<a href="#">Keetch - Byram Drought Index – Link to Map</a>	<a href="#">US Drought Monitor</a>
<b>Statewide Average: 543</b> KBDI Between 300 & 399 – 3 KBDI Between 400 & 499 – 7 KBDI Between 500 & 599 – 53 KBDI Between 600 & 699 – 4 KBDI Between 700 & 799 – 0	<b>Warm temperatures dominated the Gulf Coast region. Temperatures for the week were 3-9°F above normal. For much of the Gulf Coast, dry conditions prevailed, with areas of Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana deteriorating in their drought depiction.</b>
	

### B. Wildland Fires Daily Update (Source: Florida Division of Forestry)

**STATUS:** Fire Activity Report reflects activity from 01/01/06 to 06/11/06: This **Fire Activity** report summarizes the number of fires and acres burned per district by fire cause for a specified date range.

[\(Public Report/Wildland Fire Activity\):](#)

	Fires Reported	Acres Burned	Fire Districts of Concern
Month of May – 05/01/06-05/31/06	503	61,416	
Month of June – 06/01/06-06/30/06	46	346.5	
Week of - 06/10/06 –06/12/06	1	1	
Year to Date - 01/01/06 – 06/12/06	2,683	97,235.8	
Previous Year – 01/01/05 – 12/31/05	2,627	27,529.3	

**\*\*NOTE:** See Special Forestry Report below.

### Division of Forestry's Morning Report:

**Morning Update:** June 12, 2006

**Yesterday:** Update as of 2400 hrs, June 11, 2006, 9 new fires reported, of which lightning caused 3, and a total of 128 additional acres burned. At this time there are 198 active fires (not controlled) for 20,673 acres.

### NEW FIRES

An incendiary device was found in Withlacoochee State Forest in the Green Swamp area of Pasco County near the Pasco/Sumter line. The device failed to ignite and the situation was handed over to Lake County Bomb Squad by Ag Law and Sumter S.O.

### OLD FIRES

**\*\*NOTE:** These fires will be removed from the report. They are still active; however they have had little activity in the past few days. If they become active again they will be added back to the update.

**Tractor Pull Fire:** Clay, 254 acres, cause Lightning. Fire is contained. Continued mop-up and monitoring. Fire received some rain.

**BBD Fire:** Pasco, 252 acres, cause lightning. 100% contained. Continued mop-up and monitoring today. Still smoking in interior.

**Dowling Cutoff Fire:** Union, 250 acres, cause lightning. Fire is contained. Still mopping-up and monitoring. Still some activity in interior of burn.

**Multiple Pile Fire:** Collier, 1,510 acres; cause lightning, Fire is controlled.

**Timber Crest:** Bay, 150 acres, fire is contained; cause debris burn-non authorized. Fire is still smoking on interior. Continue monitoring and mop-up operations. Fire destroyed 4 residences, 9 vehicles. **Fire is under investigation.**

**Buford Bay:** Nassau, 160 acres; cause lightning. (80% Contained) Still smoking, will continue to monitor. No Change

**Road 19:** Bay, 146 acres; cause lightning. A line is in place around the perimeter. Fire is contained. Continuing mop-up and monitoring. No Change

**Northern Hancock:** Calhoun, 130 acres; cause lightning. (Fire Contained) monitoring fire daily. No change.

**Southern Hancock:** Gulf, 555 acres; cause lightning. (Fire contained) monitoring and mop-up continue as needed. No change

**Rollohome Road:** Bay, 316 acres; cause under investigation. (Fire Contained) Still smoking on interior. Still creeping around in a swampy area. Lines improved to allow engines access to mop-up.

**Volusia Complex:** All fires contained at this time. Mop-up continues. **New Smyrna 44/95:** 1,569 acres; 100% contained. **Possum Camp Fire :** Volusia, 918 acres; cause unknown; 100% contained. I-95 closures are now based on current conditions. FEMA Declaration Approved for Volusia County. Type 3 Command Team in place.

**Simmons Ranch Fire:** Osceola, 150 Acres, cause lightning. Fire is contained. Still has a few hot spots on interior.

**\*\* Pine Island 06/07/06 Fire:** St. Johns, 95 acres, cause unknown, Fire is contained. No Change.

## **B. Special Weather Report:**

It looks like our fire weather early this week is dependent upon the evolution of Tropical Storm Alberto. The storm is expected to bring locally heavy amounts of rainfall to most areas of the State. The exact track of the storm is still uncertain but it is likely to cross the northern part of Florida sometime early this week and rapidly head out to the Atlantic. In the wake of this tropical storm we will see very dry conditions return so areas that do not see significant rain are likely to see their fire danger rapidly increase once again later this week.

## **C. Special Forestry Report:**

# **III. Infectious Diseases**

## **A. DOH Health Alerts**

[Florida Department of Health Home Page](#)

**STATUS:**

## **B. Arbovirus Diseases - Human Cases**

**STATUS: Florida Mosquito-Borne Disease Summary for May 28- June 3, 2006:**

There are no counties currently under medical alert for mosquito-borne disease. Where mosquitoes are present, people are urged to take precautions against getting bitten.

**Special Note:** No locally acquired human cases of arboviral infection were reported yet this year.

Disease/Jan. – Dec., 2006	New Cases	Total Cases	Fatalities
East. Equine Encephalitis	0	0	0
West Nile Virus	0	0	0
St. Louis Encephalitis Virus	0	0	0

This chart is representative of data collected for the 2006 calendar year.

### C. Special Report

Nothing new reported.

## IV. Terrorism

### A. Homeland Security Threat Level

**Elevated Condition (Yellow).** An Elevated Condition is declared when there is a significant risk of terrorist attacks. In addition to the Protective Measures taken in the previous Threat Conditions, Federal departments and agencies should consider the following general measures in addition to the Protective Measures that they will develop and implement:

1. Increasing surveillance of critical locations;
2. Coordinating emergency plans as appropriate with nearby jurisdictions;
3. Assessing whether the precise characteristics of the threat require the further refinement of preplanned Protective Measures, and;
4. Implementing, as appropriate, contingency and emergency response plans.



### B. Reported Events: Bomb Threats and Suspicious Packages: as reported to the Florida State Warning Point at the State Emergency Operation Center in Tallahassee

Event Type	# Reports Last 24 Hours	# Reports Week of 6/10/06 – 6/16/06	# Reports for Month of June	# Reports since Sept. 11, 2001 to Present
Suspicious substances/packages	0	0	0	10,596
Bomb Threats	0	1	3	426

### C. Special Events

What	Where	Date
NBA-Finals	Miami	June 13, 2006
NL-Marlins vs. Atlanta	Miami	June 13, 2006
NL-Marlins vs. Atlanta	Miami	June 14, 2006
NL-Marlins vs. Atlanta	Miami	June 15, 2006
NL-Marlins vs. Toronto	Miami	June 16, 2006
NL-Marlins vs. Toronto	Miami	June 17, 2006
NL-Marlins vs. Toronto	Miami	June 18, 2006
NBA-Finals	Miami	June 15, 2006

### D. Terrorism News

#### State and Regional

### [Airport Closed; Hazardous Devices Team Investigate 'Suspicious' Package](#)

Tallahassee Democrat – posted June 12, 2006 - TPD Officer David McCranie said Tallahassee Regional Airport was closed about 7 a.m. today. He said a security screener had detected a "suspicious" package or piece of luggage and had notified TPD immediately.

## **National**

Nothing new reported.

## **International**

### [U.S. Says 7 Terrorists Killed North Of Baghdad](#)

BAGHDAD, Iraq (CNN) Monday, June 12, 2006; Posted: 9:20 a.m. EDT (13:20 GMT) -- U.S.-led coalition forces killed seven terrorists, wounded three others and detained two more in a raid Monday near Baquba, north of Baghdad, the American military said. Two children also were found dead after the assault, and one was wounded and evacuated for medical treatment, the military said.

## **E. [Homeland Security News \(FEMA\)](#) [\(Department of Homeland Security\)](#)**

Check here for latest information.

## **State**

### [New Flood Maps Will Affect Thousands](#)

Hernando Today, FL - 4 hours ago - County officials teamed up with the Southwest Florida Water Management District (Swiftmud) and ... By 2004, **FEMA** agreed to shell out an exorbitant amount of money...

## **Regional**

### [Healing After The Hurricane](#)

Lawrence Journal World, KS - 4 hours ago - ... still lines the streets, blue tarps still top houses, mold still grows on buildings and you can see Federal Emergency Management Agency (**FEMA**) trailers from ... [Helping Katrina evacuees in California](#) San Jose Mercury News [Helping evacuees](#) San Jose Mercury News [all 5 related »](#)

## **National**

### [FEMA, Red Cross Not on Same Page, Report Finds](#)

PNN, VA - 59 minutes ago - **FEMA** officials, for example, complained that Red Cross staffers assigned to coordinate the organization's relief effort with the agency were rotated too ... [FEMA: Preparedness must take top priority](#) Jackson Clarion Ledger [Is FEMA Prepared?](#) WTKR Your NewsChannel 3 [GAO says FEMA, Red Cross ties strained](#) Monsters and Critics.com [Laurel Leader Call](#) - [Chronicle of Philanthropy \(subscription\)](#) - [all 6 related »](#)

## **Cyber Terrorism/Information and Technologies**

Nothing new reported.

## Chem - Bio

Nothing new reported

### F. **Illegal Immigrant Landing – Cuban and Haitian Illegal Immigrants:** *as reported to the Florida State Warning Point at the State Emergency Operation Center in Tallahassee*

County	# Reported Last 24 Hours	# Reported Week of 6/10/06 – 6/16/06	# Reported for Month of June	# Reported Since June 1, 2005 to Present
Monroe	0	0	0	1,337
Miami-Dade	0	0	0	347
Palm Beach	0	0	0	40
Broward	0	0	0	23
Manatee	0	0	0	3
St. Lucie	0	0	0	3
Total	0	0	0	1,753

**\*\*Summary of Total: Cuban (1,619), Haitian (55), and Hispanic (3)**

### G. **Special Report**

Nothing new reported.

### H. **War with Iraq** (Department of Homeland Security)

Nothing new reported.

## V. **Status of Florida's State Emergency Operations Center**

### A. **Activation Status:**

The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) is at a **Level 2 (Partial Activation)** activation in response to Tropical Storm Alberto.

### B. **Activation Events:**

Tropical Storm Alberto.

### C. **County Reports to State Warning Point:**

**Incident #: SWP060612 – 3337 – Polk County (Break in At Water Facility), reported 6/12/06, at 7:20 am** – A break-in was reported at a drinking water facility in Babson Park, The perpetrator jump a fence & broke into a vehicle. They also gained access to the operator control. No damage was reported to the control room or drinking water system.

**Incident #: SWP060612 – 3338 – Leon County (Bomb Threat at Airport), reported 6/12/06, at 7:30 am** – TPD contacted the county and reported a "possible detonator" at the Tallahassee Regional Airport. SWP asked for clarification of what a "possible detonator" was, but none could be obtained from the county. SWP is unsure if this is an explosive device or just a detonator system used with explosives. **UPDATE:**



**06/12/2006: 0816 EDT:** State Warning Point contacted Leon County for more information. County stated that no new information was available at this time.

## **VI. Other**

### **A. American Red Cross Issues**

<http://www.floridapreparesnow.org/>

**Date of Report** = June 12, 2006

**Chapter Reporting** = Capital Area Chapter

**Name** = Chris Floyd

**Telephone #** = 850/878-6080 # 120

**City** = Tallahassee

**County** = Leon County

**Type** =

**PDA** = A Bomb Threat was made at Tallahassee Regional Airport. Tallahassee Fire Department has found a detonator at the main terminal. 300 individuals have been evacuated from the terminal.

**Response Activities** = ERV # 1173 has been deployed to provide Mass Care (Feeding) support at the site. A Liaison is being sent to the Incident Command.

### **B. Other News**

Nothing new reported.